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		2,405,667	8/13/1946	Ottesen			
		2,438,231	3/23/1948	Schultz et al.			
		2,635,907	4/21/1953	Heimbuch			
		2,714,469	8/2/1955	Carlson			
		2,936,980	5/17/1960	Rapata			
		3,059,645	10/23/1962	Hasbrouck et al.			
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		3,667,081	6/2/1972	Burger			
		3,840,018	10/8/1974	Heifetz			
		4,118,805	10/10/1978	Reimels			
		4,133,315	1/9/1979	Berman et al.			
		4,157,713	6/12/1979	Clarey			
		4,176,412	12/4/1979	Peterson			
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		4,592,355	6/3/1986	Antebi							
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		4,671,351	6/9/1987	Rappe							
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		4,694,827	9/22/1987	Weiner et al.							
		4,696,288	9/29/1987	Kuzmak et al.							
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		4,883,467	11/28/1989	Franetzki et al.			
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		5,143,724	9/1/1992	Leshchiner et al.			
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		5,509,888	4/23/1996	Miller			
		5,531,716	7/2/1996	Luzio et al.			
		5,535,752	7/16/1996	Halperin et al.			
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		5,562,714	10/8/1996	Grevious			
		5,607,418	3/4/1997	Arzbaecher			
		5,633,001	5/27/1997	Agerup			
		5,653,718	8/5/1997	Yoon			
		5,676,162	10/14/1997	Larson, Jr. et al.			
		5,695,504	12/9/1997	Gifford III et al.			
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		5,785,295	7/28/1998	Tsai			
		5,817,113	10/6/1998	Gifford III et al.			
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		5,861,014	1/19/1999	Familoni			
		5,886,042	3/23/1999	Yu et al.			
		5,904,697	5/18/1999	Gifford III et al.			
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		5,938,669	8/17/1999	Klaiber et al.			
		5,944,696	8/31/1999	Bayless et al.			
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		5,993,473	11/30/1999	Chan et al.			
		6,013,679	1/11/2000	Kuo et al.			
		6,024,340	2/15/2000	Lazarus et al.			
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		6,090,131	7/18/2000	Daley			
		6,102,678	8/15/2000	Peclat			
		6,102,922	8/15/2000	Jakobsson et al.			
		6,171,321	1/9/2001	Gifford, III et al.			
		6,193,734	2/27/2001	Bolduc et al.			
		6,203,523	3/20/2001	Haller et al.			
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		6,221,024	4/24/2001	Miesel			
		6,224,857	5/1/2001	Romeo et al.			
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		6,457,801	10/1/2002	Fish et al.			
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		6,627,620	9/30/2003	Nielsen				
		6,630,486	10/7/2003	Royer				
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		2004/0059393	3/25/2004	Policker et al.			
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